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Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced Patent Application:

1. Response to Non-Final Office Action.

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In response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2005, Applicants respond as

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Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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